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Seattle psychiatrist's license immediately suspended

Doctor had sex with two patients and violated physician-patient confidentiality, charges say

OLYMPIA — The Medical Quality Assurance Commission has immediately suspended the medical license of Seattle psychiatrist Richard T. Adamson (MD00019594).

Adamson cannot practice medicine in Washington until the charges are resolved. He has 20 days to respond to the charges and to request a hearing.

The statement of charges says Adamson had sex with two female patients, violated physician-patient boundaries with patients, and disclosed the contents of therapy sessions with patients. Legal documents in this case are available by calling 360-236-4700 or online by clicking the link to “Provider Credential Search” on the [agency home page](#) (www.doh.wa.gov).

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